

Commissioner for Patents
United States Patent and Trademark Office
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450
www.uspto.gov

JAN 0 5 2010

Robert E. Bushnell & Law Firm 2029 K Street NW Suite 600 Washington, DC 2006-1004

In re application of MAEDER et al.

Application No. 10/522,953

Filed: February 9, 2006

For: Conveyor-Technology Device

: DECISION ON PETITION

: TO RECONSIDER

: DRAWING REQUIREMENT

: UNDER 37 CFR 1.181

This is a decision on applicant's petition under 37 C.F.R. 1.181 filed on June 6, 2008 requesting the withdrawal of the requirement to label Figure 1 as "Prior Art".

The Petition is **GRANTED**.

A review of the record indicates that Figure 1 as originally filed and discussed was referred to as containing a "conventional" device with a drum for gathering, collating or inserting printed products. The original disclosure did not indicate the figure was prior art. Hence, in keeping with the disclosure and applicant's arguments, the requirement to label this figure as "Prior Art" is withdrawn.

Inquiries related to this decision may be directed to Supervisory Patent Examiner Gene O. Crawford at (571) 272-6911.

Frederick Schmidt, Director Technology Center 3600

571-272-5150

gc/lm: 12/28/09

M